

FINDING A HEADLESS BODY.

Contents of a Sack Discovered in the Susquehanna.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 5.—Great excitement has resulted from the finding of a headless body and a sack floating in the Susquehanna River below this city.

Three boys in bathing found the sack and towed it ashore, thinking it contained potatoes. The boys ripped the sack open and were horrified to see a human foot protruding from the aperture. They were badly frightened and rushed home, telling their parents of the find.

Coroner McKee was sent for and a large crowd gathered. The sack was opened and it revealed the partly decomposed and headless body of a man about twenty-five years old, five feet, seven inches in height, and weighing about 150 pounds in height, and weighing about 150 pounds in height, and weighing about 150 pounds in height.

The body was entirely nude, and the legs were doubled flat upon the stomach, head being in place by a short, tightly knotted. Several physicians were called, and the declared the body had been in the water three or four days. There were incisions on the front and back of the body, exposing the heart, lungs, and stomach, which were evidently made by a skilled surgeon, like those in cases of illustrations in surgery before a class of students. There were also incisions in the arms and legs, exposing the muscles and arteries.

Where the body came from is a mystery. There are suspicions that murder has been committed, and several excellent clues are now being ferreted out. Three young men, all talking with the description of the headless trunk, were taken from their homes near here during the last week. Their disappearance was very mysterious, and no clue was left.

Since the body was found a clue has been discovered that may furnish the mystery. A young man paid court to a woman in Wilkesbarre, and she had a second visitor, who in a letter told him that the young man disappeared about a week ago, and it was given out that he had gone West, but he left his trunk behind.

The detective working on the case believe that they have good clues to make an arrest in a very short time, and that it will prove very sensational, owing to the prominence of the man suspected.

GIANT POPLAR TREE DEAD.

Scientists Estimate that the Monster Was a Thousand Years Old.

Easton, Md., July 5.—The oldest and largest tree in Talbot county is dead. It has been dying for twenty-five years or more. The tree is a mammoth tulip poplar in a field of Poplar Hill farm, near the public road leading from Easton to Trappe, about a mile and a half from Easton. The farm has been named for the tree for at least two hundred years, and is the property of Mrs. Edmund Law Rogers, nee Plater, of Baltimore, and was part of the original Plater grant made in early colonial times.

Scientists men who have from time to time visited this tree have said that it would take at least a thousand years for this species of poplar to grow to such a size in this locality. It stands alone, a picturesque feature of the landscape. In an open field, and can be seen for miles from all roads and from the water courses. The wonderful size of the tree is in the magnitude and height of its trunk. Approximately it is 250 feet high and twenty feet in diameter. The head is comparatively small, and the first limb is 200 feet from the ground, and it carries its diameter symmetrically all the way up. From its top, at night, for many venturesome and agile climbers have ascended it, the light in sharp's island lighthouse can be plainly seen. A horse and carriage behind it, and not seen from the nearby public road. The lightning has not spared it. It is seamed and gashed and split by the many bolts which have struck it, and which have knocked down many trees around it.

Tradition says that 200 years ago, which is as far back as tradition claims to have known the tree—it is named in land deeds 160 years ago in New York. It was cut down, and even then showed signs of failure. Three years ago it was struck four times in one summer. This fierce attack undoubtedly hastened its death. Now the giant is dead. The old Poplar of Poplar Hill probably saw the beginning of the twentieth century and died just before the beginning of the twentieth. It was the Mount Shasta of the Talbot landscape.

A SOMNAMBULIST'S TUMBLE.

Falls Forty Feet and Escapes with Slight Injury.

Middletown, N. Y., July 5.—Horace Branning, twelve years old, son of E. F. Branning, of New York city, while in a somnambulistic state Monday morning, walked out of an open window at Bloomingburg, and fell forty feet. He was only slightly injured.

The lad and his father were enjoying a cycle trip from New York to Middletown, their former home. They reached Bloomingburg Sunday night and took a room at Bennett's Hotel. The boy, who slept with his father, arose at an early hour, and while still asleep walked out of the window.

Young Branning returned to his room unharmed. He struck on his shoulder and head but sustained no other injury.

QUEER METHOD OF STABBING.

Alleged Criminal Who Carries His Knife in a Bundle.

New York, July 5.—Sunday Harriet E. Brown, sixteen years of age, was walking along Nassau Street, near John Street, when Ernest F. Lohse came along with a bundle. He jostled against Miss Brown and she felt a sharp pain in her right arm. She looked down and blood spurting from a deep gash in the arm.

Policeman McQuaid, of the Old Slip station, answered the girl's cry of distress and arrested Lohse, who denied that he had cut the girl.

While Lohse was in the court room yesterday he was identified by A. J. Brown, of 66 Nassau Street, as the man who had cut him in the same manner yesterday. He said he knew of one or two other persons who had been cut by Lohse.

It is alleged that Lohse goes through the streets with a sharp butcher's knife in a bundle in such a way as to have the knife cut them.

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